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**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

In re the Application of

On Appeal From Group Art Unit: 1722

Takehiro KATA et al.

Application No.: 09/431,154

Examiner: J. Mackey

Filed: November 1, 1999

Docket No.: 104639

For: VULCANIZING MOLD FOR PNEUMATIC TIRES

**REQUEST FOR ORAL HEARING**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is hereby requested that an Oral Hearing be held in this Appeal. Attached hereto is Check No. 158770 in the amount of \$290.00 in payment of the Hearing Fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(d). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 15-0461. Two duplicate copies of this request are enclosed.

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